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member was given five minutes to present his views.

“All educated people should realize that the use of the terms redskin and squaw is unacceptable in any venue,” said Dr. Raymond Wilson, chairman of the department of history, adding that nationwide, there are still about 1000 schools using Indian mascot names, including Hays High School. “People should not be mascots.”

Jason Lewis, a member of the Choctaw tribe, seemed to be the most adamant panelist against the use of Native American mascots. He opened his speech with a few words in his native tongue.

He said it is hurtful that young people don’t have a choice with their cultural identify while growing up.

“It took me until I was 23 years old to really feel good about knowing myself as a Choctaw person because I didn’t have that

experience growing up,” Lewis said. “To have these misrepresentations is hurtful, whether they are supposed to honor us (or not),” he said of the mascots. He also talked about his work with trying to ban the use of the term Redskin in K-12 schools in his home state of California. Over the past three years the ban passed both chambers of the California congress, but was vetoed each time by Governor Schwarzenegger.

Kurt Beyers, assistant director of University Relations, argued that “Indian names can be derogatory but are not inherently so,” giving as an example the Native American name of his home town.

Ross Wichman, Hays attorney, focused on the mythology surrounding Native American symbols and questioned the right of ownership of that mythology.

“We must always avoid terms of injury, but citizens cannot be emotional eggshells, vulnerable to injury no matter how slight the

contact,” Wichman said. “The misunderstanding or ignorance of history by those who perceive an injury is not justification for banning such words.”

Ryan Red Corn, brother of panelist Studebaker Red Corn from the University of Kansas, disagreed with Wichman. He felt that everyone on the panel was highly educated, but legally, he believes Native American do have ownership over their cultural identity. “Public institutions have a responsibility to society to tell history and to tell the truth and should be fighting that mythology, not perpetrating it.”

“Overall, the forum went well,” Mitchell Hall, Assistant Director of the American Democracy Project, said of the event. “It’s definitely important to have more understanding and more tolerance of different ethnic groups,” he said and, “that’s why it’s important to have open civil dialogue.”

After the event, Dr. Richard



Heil, moderator of the event, said he was pleased with the turnout and thought there were good questions from the audience. He spoke of the need for civic engagement and said, “The purpose is to get people to think outside their experience...that’s what democracy is about.”

The forum was sponsored by the Hays Daily News, the Division of Academic Affairs, the Division of Student Affairs, and the Center for Civic Leadership.

The entire forum is available to view online on the FHSU website at www.fhsu.edu/adp.

The next forum will sometime in January relating to the teaching of evolution vs. intelligent design in schools, Hall said, but a specific date has yet to be set.

Difference

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some time. There are collection boxes in many of the buildings at FHSU, the Hays public Library and Dillons on Vine Street.

Another part of the effort will culminate on the Oct. 22 at Wal-Mart, when volunteers will ask customers to help donate to the relief effort. Some of the school supplies needed are: No. 2 pencils, crayons, glue, notebooks, copy paper and backpacks.

Also, books will be needed for First Book, which will distribute 5 million new books to displaced kids and adults and to damaged schools and libraries along the Gulf Coast.

At Gross Memorial Coliseum, people will walk to raise money for awareness,

Mole

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Sarah Bradstreet, freshman speech pathology major, doesn’t think so.

“The posters triggered my memories from chemistry class, but are they enough to make me change my major? Probably not,” Bradstreet said. “I make posters for lots of classes. I don’t think they are that effective.”

After looking at the posters, Craig Karlin, director of financial assistance, disagreed with Bradstreet.

“It’s been a long time since I thought about all of those science terms,” he said. “It’s bringing back memories. I think the posters are an excellent way to raise awareness. They certainly raised my awareness.”

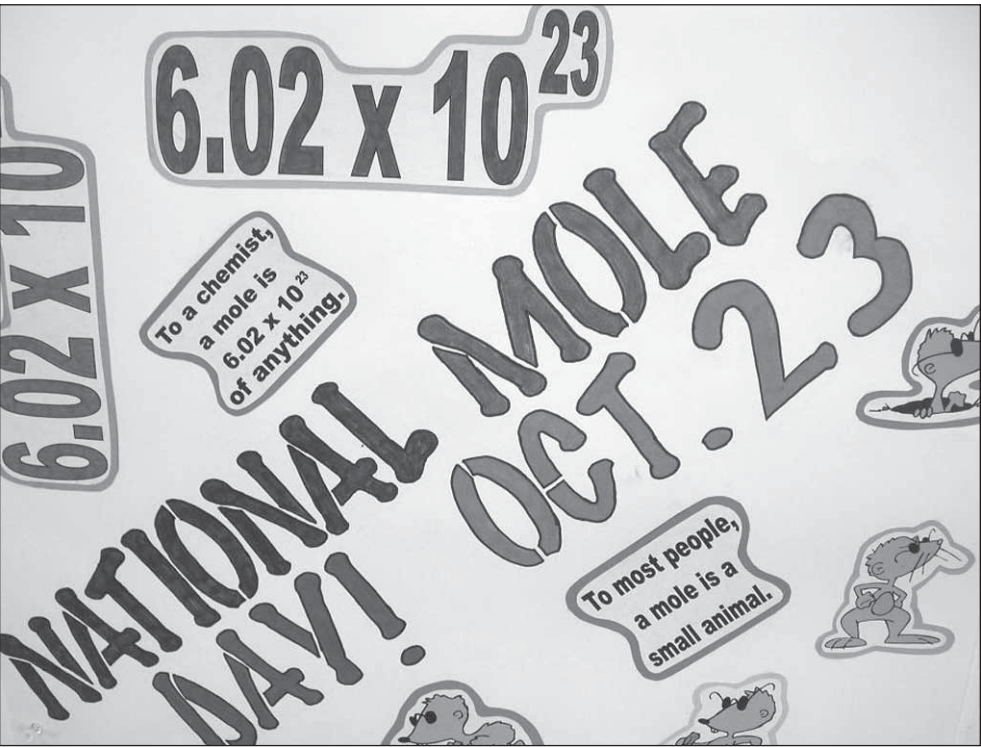
The posters, which will be judged by five science professors, are on display in Tomanek Hall throughout the week.

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Mole Day: Chemistry students prepare to celebrate Avogadro's number



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On Oct. 23, chemists around the world come together to celebrate a sacred holiday amongst their profession: Mole Day.

On that same day, millions of non-chemists look in confusion as chemists wish them a happy Mole Day.

So what is mole day?

No, Mole Day is not a bad knock-off on Groundhog’s Day, nor is it a celebration of a skin condition.

Mole Day is actually a celebration of one of chemistry’s most important quantities—the mole, which is equal to 6.02×10^{23} particles. The holiday is an attempt to get lay-people excited about chemistry.

“I didn’t know there was a Mole Day until I saw the posters,” said Amanda Johnson, freshman nursing major, “but now that I do I am definitely going to celebrate it.”

Mole Day was inspired by Avogadro’s Number— 6.02×10^{23} —the number of units in one mole. For example, one

mole of baseballs contains 6.02×10^{23} baseballs, and one mole of enchiladas contains 6.02×10^{23} enchiladas. That’s enough enchiladas (approximately 602 trillion billion) to bury all of America several miles deep in enchiladas.

William Scott, instructor of Chemistry and Physics, is heading the Mole Day activities for the third year.

Scott asked his “Intro to Chemistry” students to make posters that would explain Mole Day and make chemistry look appealing.

“This has been a very successful project,” Scott said. “The first year we did it we only had 20 people enter the poster contest. This year, we had 52. I think the posters are a great way to spark interest in a non-chemist’s mind.”

The posters are a fun project for chemistry students, but are the posters working—making people excited about chemistry?

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FHSU makes difference

Martin Brungardt
Staff Writer

Make a Difference Day, held annually, is coming up this Saturday and Tigers In Service is making sure the FHSU community does their part.

FHSU has been involved in the event, promoted nationally by USA Weekend Magazine, for the last three years and this year is no different.

On Saturday, there will be students as well as numerous volunteers from area communities participating in a 3.88 mile fun run/walk to honor the 388th Medical Logistics Reserve Unit based out of Hays.

Also, care packages will be put together at the Lucky Bucks Bingo Hall that will be given to military men and women overseas.

At the same location, a stockpile of school supplies are being collected to send to schools devastated by hurricane Katrina.

Finally, Alzheimer’s Association of the Great Plains will sponsor Memory Walk 2005, held at Gross Memorial Coliseum.

The fun walk/run and care package event is part of a national effort called Holiday for Heroes, also known as SOS or Support our Soldiers. The care

Forum debates usage of Native American mascots

James Bell
Staff Writer

Kansas City Chiefs; Atlanta Braves; Cleveland Indians; Florida State Seminoles.

The name and image of the Native American permeates popular sport in the United States, but do these manifestations serve as an honorable salute to the nation’s first inhabitants or do they act as yet another example of the stereotyping the group has endured for hundreds of years?

The gathering of school supplies has been going on for

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(Dis)Honoring Native Americans: Heritage or Heresy?, held on Oct. 10, brought together a diverse panel to debate the issue, much of it focusing on a recent NCAA decision banning “mascots, nicknames or images deemed hostile or abusive in terms of race, ethnicity or national origin” from hosting an NCAA championship competition, according to a statement by Walter Harrison, chair of the Executive Committee of the NCAA.

To start off the forum, each panel

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EDITORIAL

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Veterans
deserve
their day

November 11; Veteran's Day. This day is the anniversary of the armistice signed between the Allies and the Germans ending World War I. It is a day designed to honor veterans of all U.S. wars. However, at FHSU veterans will not be getting the reverence they deserve. In fact, school will be in session and it will be, for the most part, another day of business as usual. It is hard to believe, when thousands of U.S. troops are overseas, that those in charge could neglect to honor those brave souls who fight for our country's freedom, those who give their lives. There are no doubt many veterans among us, whether they be faculty, staff or students. There are memorials around campus honoring our veterans. Why, then, are these citizens not getting their day of reverence? An oversight? Perhaps so. If this is an oversight, it is an extremely disrespectful one and should quickly be rectified by those in charge of school scheduling. Veterans deserve their day. FHSU should honor it.

-The Editorial Board

Unfurled Wit

By Damien Leeson



Seniors should get dispersals first



I say "Grr" to financial aid. Why? Because I am in the last semester of my entire college experience and apparently the wonders behind the financial aid system have decided that the full amount of my financial aid should not be disbursed until Oct. 21. Hmm, split dispersal. Perhaps for the freshman first time borrower; those people who have the tendency to drop the whole "school thing" and pursue

the finer life of a McDonald's grunt. But me? No. I've borrowed countless amounts of money, which will surely come back on me, and not once in the last four years have I had to wait for a "second dispersal." Not even during my freshman year. So, really, why now? Was this some sort of draw a name from a lottery, bingo style, of course, with the spinning roll cage, and say "Hmm, I think Mr. Leeson would be an absolutely fabulous choice for withholding financial aid!" before partaking of cocktail wieners and cheese. Oh, those Financial Aid meetings must be absolutely divine. I should make some sort of point. Why do I care in the first place? Shouldn't I just shut up and play with the cards dealt me? No, because in that case I would still be talking, but my only word would be: baah. My reason is that this money is for life. I don't have parental assistance or a fancy-pant job; so everything I get goes to my bills and rent. My paycheck covers food and other necessities with little remaining for kicks and grins. I agree with withholding dispersal; by all means be my guest. However, I think that there should be some level of consistency in this disbursement. For instance focusing on freshman first-time borrowers; we all know that the drop-out rate is higher among freshman, but a senior on the verge of graduation is going to stay: so let's be kindly folk and give them the first dibs.

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▼ Kansas Social Norms Project

Grant renewed, safe drinking habits promoted

More students may continue to practice safe drinking habits at Fort Hays State University due to the Kansas Health Foundation's extension of the Kansas Social Norms Project grant.

The project began in 1999 as a four-year, campus-wide media campaign to educate students about the actual drinking behaviors of other students versus perceived drinking behaviors.

"Many students overestimate the drinking behaviors of their peers, so they end up drinking more than they should because they think it's normal," said Bob Duffy, coordinator of the Drug Alcohol Wellness Network at FHSU and coordinator of the project.

The Kansas Health Founda-

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-Bob Duffy

tion initially granted the project over \$300,000 of which \$20,000 remains.

"The new grant is not a renewal of the funds, but an extension of the amount of time we have to use the remaining dollar amount," said Duffy.

Most of the project's funding is spent on student surveys, project promotion and salaries of the parties involved.

The Drug Alcohol Wellness

Network conducts a random survey each year asking students about their personal drinking behaviors. The survey, which is administered to a random sample of more than 500 students, includes questions about drinking and driving versus using a designated driver, mixing one's own drinks versus accepting mixed drinks from others, and drinking alone versus drinking with friends.

According to the most recent survey, conducted by the Docking Institute of Public Affairs, 85 percent of FHSU students drink. However, since the first survey in 1999, the percentage of students who drink safely has increased.

When the project began, only 64 percent of students used a designated driver; today the number is up to 76 percent. Also, the number of students

who limit the amount of money they take out with them has increased along with the number of students who only party with friends they know and trust.

To help promote the project, the Kansas Department of Transportation provides key chains, coasters and cups displaying the project's facts about students who use designated drivers. Many of the cups are given to local restaurant and bar owners who provide complimentary soft drinks to designated drivers as part of the Campus Blast program.

Duffy said he is pleased with the results of the recent surveys and expects a continued increase in safe drinking habits among students.

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Journey to a Hate Free Millennium



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Brent Scarpo stands on stage during Wednesday's presentation of Journey to a Hate Free Millennium in Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center.

Tiger Call fundraising project provides scholarship monies

Martin Brungardt
Staff Writer

The phone is ringing, but the question is; "Will the Tigers' answer the call?"

The phone-based fundraising project, known as Tiger Call, has been going on for 27 years as one of three major campaigns to gather funds by the FHSU Endowment Association.

"There are so many people to reach, we need all the volunteers we can get," said Cathy Van Doren, director of annual giving.

That rings very true considering the almost 30,000 FHSU alumni and former students that the group plans to solicit money from via phone for the benefit.

Over 90 percent of the funds raised go toward the FHSU scholarship program, which supplies money for the bronze, silver, and gold scholarships for incoming freshmen, along with the many scholarships handed out by the departments. The rest of the money is donated to specific projects or events that donors name as the destination for their funds, as well as a few athletic needs.

For the first year of the event, the group collected \$35,000. Over

the years that total has risen considerably. In fact, last year a total of \$429,663 was elicited by 567 student volunteers. This year the goal is \$435,000.

The phone-a-thon started at 6 p.m. Sunday and will continue until Nov. 17. Calls are scheduled from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday through Thursday.

"Without the alumni, faculty, students and staff members who volunteer to call, Tiger Call would not be possible," Van Doren said.

Some of the main facilitators of the event are Brenda Hoopingarner, chair of Allied Health, and Mark Bannister, chair of Information, Networking and Telecommunications. Hopingarner and Bannister will give pep talks to the callers and be active in the processes of recruiting volunteers.

This is Van Doren's fifth year directing the event and she is very proud of the work that all of those associated with FHSU have accomplished in perpetuating the funding for scholarships.

"We are fortunate to have the support o FHSU volunteers and the generosity of loyal alumni," Van Doren said.

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Landlord/tenant issues examined

Brian Kinnaird
Guest Columnist

Q: "I've been having a lot of problems with my landlord lately, with him coming to check the property unannounced and other similar issues. Are there any official rules when it comes to the landlord/tenant relationship, or am I pretty much at the mercy of the landlord since he owns the property?"

A: Landlord-tenant issues are certainly a concern worth addressing, as it is a "touchy area" for landlords and tenants alike.

Good business relationships between both parties are the foundations for creating and sustaining successful renting experiences.

Unfortunately, and all too often, landlords and tenants both make decisions and take actions based upon personal vendettas, subjective perceptions or interpretations, and just poor business practices.

College students are often the subjects of "bullying" and intimidation by landlords who know that tenants are either not aware of their rights or would never stand up to them.

Likewise, landlords must often deal with immature and irresponsible students who fail to comply with reasonable requirements in

respect to the property or payment of the property.

I recall a personal experience when I finished graduate school and was moving, my landlord kept over half of my security deposit to pay himself an hourly wage for what he considered "extraordinary cleaning time."

On this itemized list of cleaning "tasks" were such things as:

- Two pennies in the kitchen drawer
- One rubberband in entry-way closet
- One paperclip on the carpet in the corner of room
- Two ¼ inch-long pieces of burnt pizza crust underneath the stove burner

The list went on for two pages with ridiculous cleaning tasks. I took the landlord to small claims court and won my deposit back.

I can recall the judge actually telling the landlord that her *courtroom* wasn't even that clean. The issue argued was reasonableness.

Some issues to consider when renting (or deciding to rent):

- A rental contract between a tenant and a landlord is called a lease.

Whether the contract is written or oral, it is still enforceable. It is always a good idea to have your lease in writing so that the agreement is clearly outlined in case of a dispute.

- Consider the reputation of the landlord concerning maintenance, return of security deposits and general relationships with tenants.

- Read your lease before you sign it. If there are terms in the lease you do not like, change them before you sign.
- Kansas law prohibits certain terms in lease agreements such as waiving your legal rights as a tenant and requiring tenants to pay for the landlord's attorney fees if the landlord sues you.
- By law, both you and the landlord must conduct an inventory of the apartment within five days of your taking possession.
- The inventory should list the condition of the apartment, furniture and appliances at the time you move in.
- Take as much time as you need to thoroughly inspect and write down the condition of all areas of the dwelling. You and the landlord should sign and date the inventory and keep a copy.
- A landlord may ask for a security deposit to protect against damage to the property. Kansas law limits the amount of security deposit to one month's rent for an unfurnished apartment, one and one-half times the monthly rent for a furnished apartment or two times the monthly rent if you have a pet.
- When you move out, a landlord must return the security deposit, minus any amount to cover damages other than normal wear and tear, within 14 days after determining what deductions, if any, should be made.
- The landlord must provide a written list of deductions and in no event can the return of the

security deposit be more than 30 days after the lease is terminated.

- You cannot have the landlord use your security deposit to pay your last month's rent
- If a roommate leaves, the remaining roommates are still liable for the entire rent and/or damages.
- Remember that nonpayment of rent can be grounds for eviction. If you pay in cash, always obtain a receipt to protect against a claim of nonpayment.
- If you pay by check, keep the canceled checks as proof of payment. This should also be done for security deposits.
- So what duties does the landlord have and what are your responsibilities as a tenant?
- By law, a landlord must:
 - provide reasonable heat, running water, and hot running water;
 - maintain common areas (such as halls, laundry rooms and clubhouses);
 - maintain all major plumbing and electrical systems;
 - provide adequate waste receptacles; and comply with building and housing codes regarding health and safety
- Most importantly, tenants have privacy rights and landlords have property rights.
- As a result, landlords cannot enter a residence without first giving the tenants reasonable notice (except in life or property-threatening emergencies), and landlord visits are to take place only during reasonable hours.
- Likewise, landlords cannot lock a tenant out of the residence or cut off services (utilities, security services, etc.) because of nonpayment of rent without first obtaining an eviction order from a court.
- Such an order is not issued without notice to the tenant.
- Tenant responsibilities include using the property in a reasonable manner, keeping the property under the tenants control, removing waste, being responsible for any destruction or damage and giving 30 days written notice prior

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to moving.

Summarily, it is important to remember that a lease agreement is binding if the tenant moves in and begins to pay rent.

The lease should be read thoroughly before being signed, and if you do not understand something in the contract, do not sign it.

Ambiguous clauses can cause problems down the road and it is in everyone's best interest to be on the same page regarding contractual issues.

Assistance and legal reference on these issues (along with a copy of the Kansas Residential Landlord-Tenant Act) can be found by contacting the following departments, numbers, or websites:

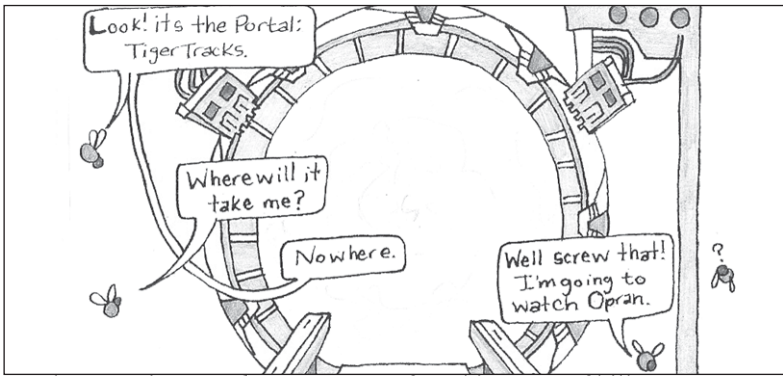
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- Human Services Department (316) 268-4688
- Kansas Human Rights Commission (785) 296-3206
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- Kansas Office of Attorney General (800) 432-2310 www.ksag.org.

Disclaimer: This article is not to be construed as legal advice and the author recommends consulting an attorney or one of the above-listed references for questions.

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Schmidt explains functions of FHSU portal



The previous *Edge* cartoon mentions going to see Oprah. Using the FHSU Portal, *Tiger Tracks*, might drive a person to see Oprah, but not before the student accessing Tiger Tracks has done something useful.

As you can see from the diagram, entering the Portal gives students a variety of options. Many students will use it to access on-line services (Student Web Services) for Course Schedules, Billing Information, and Transcript information. By the way, students may now choose a web payment option

ceive important communications from a variety of sources in the announcements sections.

Like most portals, students will be able to customize the look and feel of the portal. Some will like to include a lot of functions (channels), and some will like to keep it simple (few channels).

Some will prefer the out-of-the-box look and feel; others will want to customize the color scheme (skin).

We plan on adding new functions to the portal over time. A Portal Committee reviews new channels. This committee will consider a chat option, a portfolio option (so that you can post work to share with prospective employers and other students), and other applications.

We believe that, like Oprah, you and others will use the Portal as a communication device that will prove useful, if not entertaining.

David Schmidt
Director, Computing & Telecommunications

Young Democrats elect officers

James Bell
Staff Writer

On Oct. 13, the organization formerly known as the Fort Hays State Young Democrats held one in a series of meetings that have led to new officers in charge of the group and a new constitution.

Renewed interest in the group was formed when Chapman Rackaway, associate professor of political science and justice studies, suggested students from his American Political Parties class join as a way to promote civic engagement.

Involvement in the organization as part of the American Political Parties class led to some initial confusion over what individuals should head the group,

but that was quickly resolved among the former members and the new collected membership.

Michael Walker, instructor of sociology and research scientist with the Docking Institute who had been the Young Democrat faculty advisor until this year, was instrumental in helping get the students together and gave guidance for the group during the transition.

During an early organizational meeting he signed over his duties to Shala Bannister, associate professor of political science and justice studies. Bannister has been a driving force in organizing and helping the students develop the group. The organization came together and held nominations for officers

Look out, Republicans, this is the strongest we have been in five years.

with an election on Oct. 6.

The organization decided that a new constitution was needed due to procedural flaws in the former constitution and voted to establish the proposed constitution as the replacement after much debate.

As part of the new constitution, the organization changed the name of the group to simply the Fort Hays State University Democrats. The name change reflects the desire of the group to be affiliated with the Young

A debate between the FHSU Democrats and the FHSU Republicans is planned for November. A specific time and date have not been set, but the FHSU Democrats look forward to the open exchange of ideas.

The organization hopes to become an instrument of change in Ellis County and has already had a voter registration drive on campus this semester.

“Look out, Republicans, this is stronger than we have been in five years,” Ellen Hanson said as the meeting closed.

For the time being, meetings are held in the Prairie Room of the Memorial Union on Thursdays at 8 p.m. Anyone interested is invited to attend and participate.

Pro-TABOR group visits Hays

I had a great time visiting 23 cities across our great state late last month, including Hays, to promote the Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights (TABOR).

The number of supporters vastly outnumbered the opponents, but both sides had more folks come out than I ever imagined.

During the tour, several things became clear. While TABOR supporters offer hope and solutions to getting out of our economic slump, the opposition offers nothing but nay-saying, scare tactics and misinformation.

In fact, the flagrantly dishonest information being spread is simply breathtaking.

Let’s remember that all the Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights does is allow Kansas voters to approve tax increases and spending increases above the rate of inflation plus population growth.

Opponents cite Colorado to make their claim that TABOR decimates the economy, but they do so with few or no facts.

The truth is that Colorado has one of the strongest economies in the country. How in the world Kansas’ Regents head Donna Shank could say that Colorado’s

economy is “running on life support” makes one wonder.

Although Shank recently stated publicly she wanted to research the subject and ask “tough questions,” when she showed up at the American Dream Express bus stop in Liberal, she didn’t stay long enough for even an easy question.

In fact, the short presentations made by myself, State Rep. Larry Powell and State Senator Tim Huelskamp didn’t elicit one question from Shank

So much for academic inquisition.

In case Shank and the others suspicious of TABOR were unable ask questions during our bus tour, to the right is a run-down of the various myths and facts surrounding the legislation:

Let’s do a service to all interested in this debate and quit the ridiculous demagoguery.

There is a reason TABOR opponents have stooped to scare tactics in defense of the old “we’ve always done it this way” mentality.

Scare tactics are what you use when you don’t have the facts on your side.

Alan Cobb,
State Director of the Americans for Prosperity Foundation

MYTH:	FACT:
TABOR has hurt the poor	Colorado’s poverty rate is lower than Kansas’
Thousands of teachers would be eliminated	Co has gained more than 11,000 teachers since 1994
TABOR has hurt teachers in Colorado	Co teachers are paid more than their counterparts in Ks
TABOR has devastated higher-ed in CO	U.S. News and World Report ranks the University of Colorado as the 78th best university and in the country and K.U. is ranked 97th. Colorado State University was ranked 120th and K-State wasn’t ranked. Ks doesn’t have a state university among the best 120 masters-level universities in the country and Co does. Both the K.U. and K-State have higher instate tuition than the Univ. of Co.
Kansas Govt. spending as a percent of income hasn’t changed over the last 30 years	State spending as a percent of income has risen almost 50% over the last 30 years.
Colorado Gov Bill Owens wants to repeal TABOR	Gov. Owens has repeatedly stated he wishes that Co’s TABOR was like Ks’s version of TABOR proposed by State. Rep. Brenda Landwehr.
TABOR has devastated the CO economy	Prior to TABOR passing in Colorado in 1992, KS and Co’s economic growth was similar/ From 1984 to 1992 Co was ranked 43 in median family income growth and Ks ranked 48 from 1992 to 2004, Kansas ranked 44 in the median family income growth and Colorado ranked 7.
TABOR Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights	In 1980, Ks rank for per capita income was 16, Co was 12. By 2004 Kansas rank for per capita income was 29, Colorado was 8.



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Top 10 Scariest places in Hays, Kansas

Damien Leeson
Staff Writer

Fear is relative. It would be rare to find an entire community of individuals who found the same ten things to be the scariest. So then when compiling a list of Hays' Scariest Places, I tried to keep that in mind. Instead of the top ten scariest places in Hays, I have compiled a list of THE scariest places for specific groups.

1) For the Uber-Athiest: I would say that church in general could be quite frightening, but they may provide a positive lesson in communication; what with all the speaking in tongues and dancing.

2) For the devout Christian: The Home Party Club. No-where else in Hays boasts as much alcohol and explicit sexually dancing; though still modest in comparison with Hell.

3) For any superstitious people: We have the legend of the Blue Light Lady. Somewhere south of town this woman's ghost haunts while emitting an eerie blue light. Anyone with a nervousness of the supernatural will probably soil themselves while waiting in the dark for this elusive beauty.

4) For the recently paid college student: Wal-Mart Super Center. According to legend vampires are undead men and women with sharp, pointy teeth who suck a person's blood. Similarly, Wal-Mart is an indestructible monopoly with everyday low prices that drain the student of their precious green life-blood.

5) For lovers of doughnuts and pastries: Avoid the Wellness Center in Cunningham Hall. When your plans are for World Obesity nothing will foil them faster than 30 minutes on a treadmill. Tread-

mills . . . the stuff of nightmares.

6) For the health conscious: Big Creek. Aside from the hideous creatures being birthed in its bowels, the bile, filth and toxins held within the waters of Big Creek will rot your flesh and turn it a drab green color, not to mention form various sores and blisters on your pretty posterior.

7) For the academic: "The College Ghetto" will rack your body with shivers of fright. Parties and late nights will leave you hung over and/or, possibly, pregnant, which will so severely hinder your ability to study that you will most assuredly fail Physical Science; making you the laughingstock of FHSU.

8) For the squirrels on campus: Anything people can drive large motor vehicles on or is referred to as a "road" should force you into a catatonic state. Cars are not your friend. And neither is China Express.

9) For mature individuals: Anything deemed "fun" will probably ruin a good pair of high water khakis, but nothing will send you into cardiac arrest like The Mall, with its large hordes of teenie-bopper middle school kids on a sugar high bouncing about and screaming very loudly.

10) For the lonely: 12th Street Auditorium. It is home of what some call a "friendly" ghost, which will be what draws you to the location. They say all it does is push things about now and again, but honestly, let's not trust anything invisible that could push us down a flight of stairs or an elevator shaft.

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Comedy Pet Theatre appearing at FHSU

Gregory Popovich will present his unique Comedy and Pet Theatre in two performances at Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center Monday, Oct. 24.

The 4:30 p.m. show will last an hour and the 7 p.m. show will be a little longer.

Popovich has trained a furry entourage of 15 cats and 8 dogs all rescued from animal shelters. In fact, he would prefer to call the show A Second Chance, because that is exactly what these animals are given.

People of all ages should be intrigued by this show, but children especially will find it fun.

Popovich is a former star of the Moscow circus and a world-champion juggler, who appears with his pet friends several months each year in Branson, Missouri.

He's been featured in *People Magazine*, *The New York Times Sunday Magazine*, *The Late Show with David Letterman*, *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *Animal Planet* and many other television shows. Currently his cats and dogs may be seen on the Arm & Hammer Carpet Cleaner Commercial.

Just like any animal, all pets have special quirky little things they like to do to show a unique part of their personalities.

Popovich takes advantage of this in his training. When his pets perform, they are only doing tricks they enjoy.

Video clips may be viewed on his website at <http://www.comedypettheatre.com>.

In conjunction with this presentation, donations will be collected to benefit the Humane Society of the High Plains. Both cash donations and pet supplies are greatly appreciated.

Contributions will be collected in the Dreiling Lobby of Sheridan Hall before each performance October 24.

There is a pressing need at the shelter right now for Purina dry Puppy Chow and Kitten Chow, or any kind of canned food for kittens or puppies.

For other suggestions on items needed, call the shelter at (785) 625-7685 or check the web address at www.humanesocietyhighplains.org.

Additionally, the first 50 people who adopt a pet before Oct. 24 will receive a free ticket to one of the performances.

Tickets are available at the Student Service Center in the Memorial Union. They may be charged by phone at 785-628-5306. Visa, American Express, Master Card and Discover are accepted.

Prices for unreserved tickets at the 4:30 p.m. performance are \$5 for the general public and \$4 for senior citizens and children under 18. Reserved tickets are \$7 for the public and \$6 for seniors and children. Prices for unreserved tickets at the 7 p.m. performance are \$6 for the general public and \$5 for seniors and children. Reserved tickets are \$8 for the general public and \$7 for seniors and children.

The program is sponsored by the FHSU Special Events Committee.

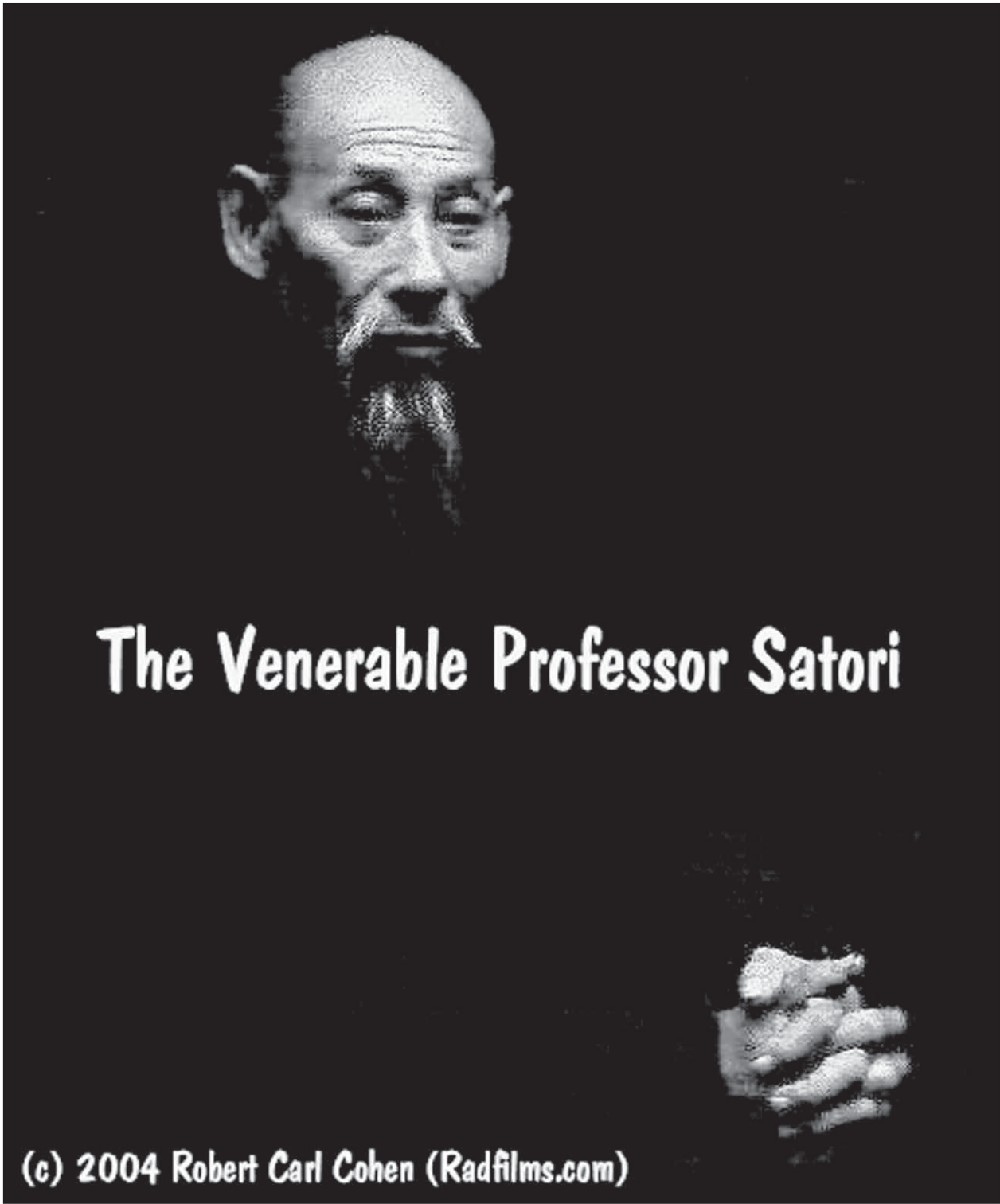
Halloween Show presented

Tricking-or-treating may be reserved for the young, but all fans of the holiday are invited to FHSU for a special Halloween presentation on Thursday, Oct. 27.

Dr. Robert Luehrs, retired FHSU history professor and "director of the supernatural studies program," will deliver his sixth annual Halloween performance, "Morbid Meditations Upon the Curse of the Werewolf."

The event, sponsored by history honor society Phi Alpha Theta, begins at 7 p.m. at FHSU's Memorial Union Ballroom. Admission is free to all "mortals" but donations are appreciated.

For more information contact Kim Perez at kperez@fhsu.edu or call (785) 628-5582.



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▼ Review

Mame entertaining, music over-amplified

Callie Schlegel
Staff Writer

The musical MAME—the first production in the 2005-2006 Encore series—is the story of Auntie Mame (played by Kate Andres), a free-spirited, upper-class woman living in the decadent New York society of the late 1920s. Our first taste of the show is somewhat soured when we see that the conductor in the orchestra pit is directing an imaginary orchestra, and the music is pre-recorded. But, the curtain eventually rises on a sumptuous set of Auntie Mame’s apartment during one of her cocktail parties where Mame greets her 10-year-old nephew Patrick Dennis (played by Corey Cray), whose parents have died, and who has come to live with her. Auntie Mame brings Patrick into her circle of wild, artistic friends, and shows Patrick “how to live, live, live!” Throughout this scene and others during the show, the chorus/dance ensemble amazed the audience with their powerful voices and spirited recreations of popular 1920s dances. The overall effect—partly due to inspired costuming—was vivid and energetic. Unfortunately, because all of the singers wore microphones, the music was often over-amplified and blaring, and made the ensemble pieces sound canned. Also, even though MAME was very well-acted, many lines lost their intimacy because of the over-amplification. Auntie Mame’s excessive life-style comes to an end when the stock market crashes in 1928, leaving her and all of her fabulous friends penniless. After working a string of dead-end jobs, Mame meets Beauregard Burnside (played by Alan Hoffman), a southern gent with lots of money. They fall in love, marry, and go on a ten-year honeymoon. Meanwhile, Patrick grows up in a boarding school and falls in love with a beautiful but senseless girl named Glory from Connecticut, whose dull conformity leaves the audience wondering what Patrick (now played by Michael Marcotte) sees in her. Mame returns to New York from her honeymoon—after her

husband falls off a mountain and dies—to find Patrick in the grips of Glory’s money-hungry parents. Mame invites Glory and her parents back to her avant-garde apartment in New York, in an attempt to break off Patrick’s engagement to Glory. During this scene and throughout the show, Mame’s best friend Vera (played by Eleni Delopoulos) steals the show with her perfectly acted role as a sophisticated but drunken second-rate actress. Eventually, Patrick comes to his senses and marries an old school friend, Pegeen. The story comes full circle when Patrick and Pegeen have a boy of their own. The curtain falls as Auntie Mame and her great-nephew plan a trip to India. This production of MAME was entertaining. The parts were well acted and the entire show flowed well from curtain up to curtain down. If the music had not been over-amplified, the show would have been outstanding. As it was, the audience gave it a standing ovation.

On the Sidelines

Upcoming football
schedule, results

Date	Opponent	Location	Time/Result
Aug. 27	Emporia State	Hays	L 13-52
Sept. 3	Pittsburg State	Pittsburg, KS	L 7-58
Sept. 10	New Mexico Highlands	Las Vegas, NM	W 21-14
Sept. 17	Chadron State College	Chadron, NE	L 6-45
Sept. 24	Adams State College	Hays	W 18-15
Oct. 1	Colorado School of Mines	Hays	L 10-46
Oct. 8	Fort Lewis College	Durango, CO	L 20-51
Upcoming Games			
Oct. 22	Mesa State College	Grand Junction, CO	2 p.m.
Oct. 29	Nebrask-Kearney	Hays	2 p.m.
Nov. 5	Western State College	Hays	2 p.m.

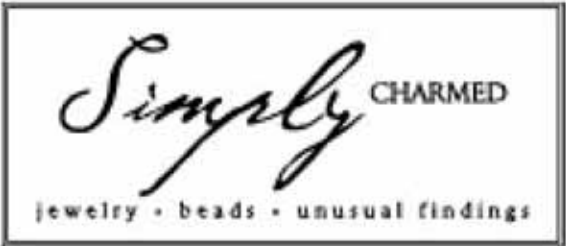
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TOM MANWARREN
Jordan Hickel, Claflin
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up the middle against
Fort Lewis College in
Durango, Colo., on Oct.
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game 20-51.



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▼ FHSU Alumni Looks Back

Western Kansas Matriculation

by Russell Fulmer
FHSU Alumni

I love to see the world. I get excited just thinking about new and exciting locales, cultures, and customs.

So when I decided to attend Fort Hays State University for college, whew, you can just imagine the excitement I felt.

I mean, *Hays!* Better yet, *Western Kansas!* Does it get better than that?

Ok, North Dakota comes close, so does Delaware, but those are the places dreams are made of.

Many a night my senior year of high school did I imagine the cool stuff I would soon experience in Hays, such as:

1. **Wind.** Bob Hope said of Hays, “It’s so windy there’s water

caps in the toilet bowls.” Bob was correct, I once witnessed a gold fish surfing.

2. **Open space!** I smile when thinking of the very first time I walked around a pasture: grass growing from the ground – yes, the ground of all places ... more grass growing from the ground over there, more grass, a weed, a rock, grass, weed, grass ... Simply Awesome!

3. **Hills** as tall as the tallest SUV. Some even as tall as me! Majestic molehills! Summoning my courage as a sophomore I set out to reach the summit of a nearby mound. They (Reinhold Messner and pals) warned me it couldn’t be done. But I did it. And

standing at the peak, glaring out at the landscape three feet below me, I knew how Sir Edmund Hillary must have felt. Hopping down, full of energy, I set my sights on the ultimate: Mt. Sunflower. I’ve yet to make the trek that far west, but give me time. For now, I train. I hear Mt. Sunflower is *nine* grueling steps semi-upward.

4. **Stubborn Volga-Germans.** These guys change their minds as often as a new species evolves.

5. **Oktoberfest.** I couldn’t wait to force myself to drink beer I didn’t like to attend a party I didn’t fit in at to be accepted by people I could care less about. Good times.

6. **Wild Bill Hickok.** I went to boot hill to stand in a place he once stood. Then I stepped over to the right, in case he stepped there instead.

7. **Three hour drives home** for holidays. And laundry. And when I needed a break from metropolitan Hays life. I knew I would have to pace myself when driving the long stretch. To prevent whiplash. Not because of a potential wreck mind you, but due to my desire to see all the landmarks along I-70. Think Highway 101 down the Oregon coast offers beauty? Think again. I once peered left and saw a house, another time I glanced right and saw a tree. Boy oh boy was my adren-

aline pumping! Then there were the stores and stops offered by the marvelous towns along I-70. How many people can say they set foot in a truck stop near *Salina, Kansas?* Exactly. Who could resist the enticement of shoddy oil wells around Russell? I mean, I’m only human, I had to be a part of that action.

8. **Russell.** Bob Dole’s hometown was only 20 miles east. Yes, THE Bob Dole. No, not imitation Bob Dole’s. Many a pilgrimage did I make to bask in the town that produced the GOP presidential candidate who was cow-whipped in the ’96 election. Russell was to me as Tijuana is to San Diego, void the cheap booze. And whores.

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Kansas Youth Leadership Academy- October 25, 8:30 am.-3:00 pm. Garden City Community College. Garden City Region Middle School Leadership Seminar.

Kansas Youth Leadership Academy- October 26, 8:30 am.-3:00 pm. Garden City Community College. Garden City Region High School Leadership Seminar.

Clean and Green- October 26, 3:00 pm. Fort Hays State University Campus.

Leaderville- November 1, 6:00 pm. Pioneer Room, Memorial Union. "Leadership and Learning." Facilitated by Patrick McGinnis.

Spotlight:

Make a Difference Day- October 22.
Make a Difference day is a nationwide movement to give organizations and students an opportunity to spend one day working on a project to make a real difference in the community.

Holidays for Heroes- 9:00 am. Race Registration, 10:00 am. Race begins, 12:00 pm. Box Packing. Former Lucky Bucks Bingo Building, 4340 Vine St.

Hurricane Help for Schools- 11:00 am.- 3:00 pm. Wal-Mart.

Alzheimer's Association of the Great Plains Memory Walk 2005- 10:00 am. Gross Memorial Collesium.

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International Film Festival. Sponsored by the International Student Union. Today. 7-9 p.m. McMIndes Hall East Lounge.

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